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In accordance with Order No II P-3908/50 of 26 July 1950, concerning the opening of German-language nursery schools and general schools, immediate steps shall be taken in the area of Szczecin and Wroclaw wojewodztwo to organize German-language schools according to the principles given below:

1. Children of German nationality whose legal guardians declare their desire to have them taught in their native language may attend these schools.
 2. The persons involved must make their declaration in person to the principal of the local primary school. The principal shall immediately submit the list of children thus registered to the Division of Education of the Powiat National Council Presidium. Collated lists will then be submitted to the Wojewodztwo National Council Presidium with concrete suggestions for organization.
 3. The Division of Education of the Wojewodztwo National Council shall submit the completed draft for the organization of German-language nursery schools and general schools to the Ministry of Education for approval, not later than 20 August.
- In preparing the draft, special attention should be given to the choice of a location accessible to the greatest number of children.
4. German-language schools shall follow the same principles of organization as similar Polish-language schools.
 5. Until further orders are issued, the same curriculum shall be followed by German-language schools as by similar Polish-language schools, except that the German language shall be treated as the native language beginning with the first grade of the primary school, and the Polish language also shall be taught beginning with the third grade.
 6. An estimate of the number of pupils registered for each grade should be submitted to the Ministry of Education with the plan of organization to determine the required number of textbooks in the German language.

Applicants for positions as teachers in the German-language schools must speak and write German fluently and also have the qualifications required of teachers in similar Polish-language schools.

7. If teachers with the required language qualifications are not available, short-term preparatory courses in the German language will be organized for candidates for the German-language schools.

Candidates for these courses shall be recruited from among progressive workers of German nationality who have a good knowledge of the Polish language. The drafts of the proposed courses shall be submitted for approval to the Ministry by the Division of Education of the Wojewodztwo National Council Presidium.

(signed) Minister of Education
per Jan Szurek

LIFTS SANCTIONS AGAINST GERMAN POLES -- Warsaw, Dziennik Ustaw, 21 Jul 50

The law of 20 July 1950 reads as follows:

In consideration of the contribution to the national reconstruction made by the majority of citizens who proclaimed their German nationality under the pressure of Hitlerian occupation, and with the intention of strengthening the authority of the people in all spheres of political, economic, and communal life, the Legislative Sejm acknowledges that conditions are ripe for the abrogation of sanctions or limitations on civil rights applied heretofore against such citizens.

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Therefore, the following has been established:

Article 1. No action shall be taken against Polish citizens who proclaimed their German nationality or German descent during the war between 1 September 1939 and 9 May 1945. Action already started shall be canceled.

Penalties imposed for acts covered in the above paragraph which have not yet been paid are hereby canceled. Rescinded civil rights and honorary citizenship rights are restored.

Article 2. Article 1 does not apply to persons who committed crimes covered by the decree of 31 August 1944, which provides for the punishment of Fascist criminals guilty of murder and persecution of civilians and war prisoners, and the punishment of traitors to the Polish nation. (*Dziennik Ustaw*: 1946, No 69, Item 377; 1947, No 65, Item 390; 1948, No 18, Item 124; 1949, No 32, Item 238.)

Article 3. The Council of Ministers is authorized to issue directives to implement the law.

Article 4. Execution of the law is incumbent upon the Chairman of the Council of Ministers and all the ministers.

Article 5. The law becomes effective as of 22 July 1950.

FORMER NAZI GETS POLISH CITIZENSHIP -- Mannheim, *Ostatnie Wiadomosci*, 22 Sep 50

An administrative decree recently issued in Warsaw forbids the use of the word *Volksdeutsch*. This order also forbids the use of the names of national groups used during the German occupation. This is the result of "the great friendship between democratic East Germany and People's Poland."

Former Major Nowotny, a Hitlerite aviator during the war and recipient of the German Knight's Cross with Diamonds and Swords, has been rehabilitated in Katowice and given Polish citizenship for "his battle on the western front against Anglo-Saxon imperialism."

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